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SUBJECT: INFORMATION FOR PRIME MINISTER MULDOON ON DEVELOPMENTS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA

- 1. FOLLOWING NEWSPAPER REPORTS THAT NEW ZEALAND MIGHT
  BE CALLED ON TO HELP FINANCE A POSSIBLE TRANSFORMATION FROM WHITE
  TO MAJORITY RULE IN RHODESIA, PRIME MINISTER MULDOON HAS INDICATED
  PUBLICLY THAT NEW ZEALAND WILL BE PREPARED TO PLAY A ROLE, IF CALLED
  UPON, IN WORKING OUT A RHODESIAN SETTLEMENT.
- 2. AT WELLINGTON RECEPTION SEPTEMBER 23 BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER SMEDLEY INFORMED ME THAT HE UNDERSTOOD PRIME MINISTER MULDOON IN VIEW OF THIS STATEMENT HAD EXPRESSED SOME CONCERN OVER LACK OF KNOWLEDGE REGARDING DEVELOPMENTS IN SOUTH AFRICA. SMEDLEY THEN SENT A REPORT TO THE FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH OFFICE IN LONDON ASKING FOR ANY INFORMATION THAT MIGHT BE PASSED ON TO MULDOON. SMEDLEY RECEIVED A SHORT REPORT FROM LONDON WHICH HE ORALLY CONVEYED TO MULDOON TODAY, SEPTEMBER 24.
- 3. WHILE I AM AWARE THESE NEGOTIATIONS ARE EXTREMELY DELICATE, IF THERE IS ANY INFORMATION THAT CAN BE PASSED ON TO THE NEW ZEALAND PRIME MINISTER BY USG I'M CERTAIN HE WOULD BE PLEASED TO RECEIVE IT. CONFIDENTIAL

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